



Spring Branch Oaks Civic Association



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TRAFFIC STUDY WILL BE FEATURED AT APRIL GENERAL MEETING

It looks as if Spring Branch Oaks will finally receive help in combating speeders and cut-through traffic in our subdivision. Our application for additional speed humps, also called traffic calming devices, has moved to the top of the list and is on schedule for installation this year.

We will have Gary Drabek from the City of Houston as our speaker at the General Meeting on Tuesday, April 17. Mr. Drabek will present the results of the city's traffic study and the proposed plan of action, then he will field questions.

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a time

for refreshments and visiting with your neighbors. The business meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Plan to come, and invite a new neighbor.

Also on the agenda will be a report from Treasurer Patricia Fowler. Do you wonder where your dues go? Come and find out.

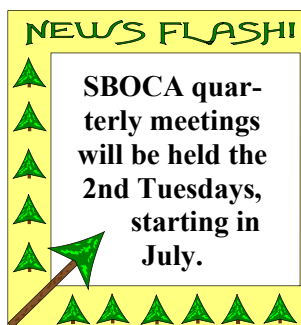
MEETING DATES CHANGED

At its March meeting, the Board of Directors discussed requests from some residents that the day for our General Meetings be changed to allow residents to attend the area PIP meetings hosted by the Houston police department.

Since the PIP meetings—also held on the third Tuesday—have speakers and topics of general interest, it was decided to move the SBOCA meeting to the **SECOND** Tuesday, beginning in

July. Board meetings will also be held the second Tuesdays.

We hope this will help ease the conflicting dates and allow more participation in both events. See article on page 2 detailing upcoming PIP meetings.



YARD-OF- THE-MONTH RETURNS IN APRIL

Winter seems to be over, and many yards in our neighborhood are bursting with blooms! We will again be recognizing some outstanding ones when our Yard-of-the-Month program resumes in April. Be looking for signs announcing the winners.

Upcoming Meetings

General Membership and Board meetings are held at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Lat-ham Hall, 1656 Blalock Road, the second Tuesday, beginning at 6:30 p.m. They are open to all residents.

General Member- ship Meetings

April 17

July 10
October 9

Board of Directors Meetings

June 12
September 11

National Night Out Tuesday, October 2 6:00—7:30 p.m.

Held at the park on the corner of Campbell Road and Spring Branch Drive



Join our group on Facebook:
SpringBranchOaks neighbors

Are you getting announcements from the Spring Branch Oaks Civic Association (SBOCA)? If not, just go to our website and sign up: springbranchoaks.com.

You can also see past newsletters, announcements, and other useful information.



Come to the Corner Bakery Café on the 3rd Saturday to see your neighbors.

To reach Long Point HPD on non-urgent matters like parking in front yards, you can:

- Email: NWSpringBranch.Storefront@HoustonPolice.Org
- call 832-394-0100 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

NORTHWEST PIP MEETINGS FEATURE A VARIETY OF TOPICS

The Houston Police Department's **Positive Interaction Program (PIP)** is designed to give residents an opportunity to interact with the police on a non-emergency basis and learn some helpful information.

Meetings for the Northwest area are held at the Faith Center sanctuary, 8009 Long Point Road and begin at 7:00 p.m. Those involved in the Citizen on Patrol meet at 6:45 p.m.

Mark your calendars! Invite a new neighbor or friend to join you. Here are the next HPD Northwest PIP meetings, as described by Officer Engelhardt:

April 17
TABC - Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission-

Come and see what the State is doing in your neighborhood regarding the regulating, inspecting, and taxing the production, sale, and use of alcoholic beverages.

Especially when it comes to "those" after hour clubs and cantinas, TABC is working on the issues. Juvenile sales and consumption a problem? TABC is also working on this issue.

Special Investigators from TABC will be here to answer your questions regarding these PROBLEMS!

May 15
ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING -
HPD's Stephen Daniel will be back with an important update on what we need to be aware of! "RUN, HIDE,

FIGHT!" Bring your neighbors! We all need to get our "dose" of training on WHAT TO DO! Come early and get your seat for this on!

JUNE 19
100 CLUB -

Let's change gears for a moment! Are you concerned about your first responders in and around the Houston area? What happens when these individuals are critically injured or lose their lives while protecting our families, homes, and communities?

Upcoming topics that we are working on:
Ted Poe, HPD Dive team, and more!

****for crime stats-
see crimereports.com ****

Questions: contact Sr. Police Officer C. Engelhardt- 832-394-0100

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST

Take some time off on the third Saturday each month and join ladies from Spring Branch Oaks and Saddle/Spur for

breakfast at the Corner Bakery Café. We get together about 9:30 a.m. It's a great way to make new friends and get to

know your neighbors. To receive an email reminder, contact Linda Cover at cover.linda@yahoo.com

BARC: DANGEROUS, AGGRESSIVE, AND PUBLIC NUISANCE DOGS

We hope that none of the pets in our neighborhood fit these descriptions, but should you have an issue with a dog, you can notify the city's BARC department or call 311.

What is a dangerous dog?

The State of Texas Health and Safety Code defines a **Dangerous Dog** as one that either:

- (1) Makes an unprovoked attack on a person that causes bodily injury and occurs in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the dog from leaving the enclosure on its own, or;
- (2) commits unprovoked acts in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the dog from leaving the enclosure on its own and those acts cause a person to reasonably believe that the dog will attack and cause bodily injury to that person.

What is an aggressive dog?

Sec. 6-151 of the Code of Ordinances, **Aggressive dog** means a dog that meets one of the following conditions:

- (1) Bites, assaults, or otherwise attacks a person without provocation on the property of the owner and causes serious bodily injury to the person, provided that the person is on the property of the owner with the owner's consent or invitation;
- (2) Has displayed aggressive tendencies that cause a person of normal sensibilities to fear the dog will attack that person or a domesticated animal without provocation while inside an enclosure, and such enclosure is not sufficient to ensure the safety of persons or domesticated animals on adjoining property or the public at large;
- (3) Has otherwise interfered with the freedom of movement of persons in a public right-of-way, regardless of whether the dog was on the property of its owner; or
- (4) A peace officer or animal control officer has reason to believe the dog has a dangerous disposition and is likely to be harmful to humans or other domestic animals.

What is a public nuisance dog?

Public nuisance dog shall mean any dog that meets one of the following conditions:

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE



Friday, April 13	Recycle
Thursday, April 26	Junk trash
Friday, April 27	Recycle
Friday, May 11	Recycle
Thursday, May 24	Tree trash
Friday, May 25	Recycle
Friday, June 8	Recycle
Friday, June 22	Recycle
Thursday, June 28	Junk trash
Friday, July 6	Recycle



For reminders on your phone, get the **Rollout!** App. It is available for download in the **iTunes** and **Android** app stores.

- (1) Substantially interferes with the right to enjoyment of life or property by persons other than the owner by acts including, but not limited to, frequent, long, or continued barking or howling, repeated defecation on property other than that of the owner, or damaging property other than that of the owner;
- (2) Attacks domestic animals;
- (3) Is documented by BARC, a police officer, a neighborhood protection official or a member of the public to be running at large three or more times in a 12-

month period; or
(4) Is one of a number of dogs or other animals maintained on the property owned or controlled by its owner so as to be dangerous to the public health, safety or welfare.

For more information, click on the **Enforcement Information** tab at the City of Houston's BARC site.



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